

Page 3, Line 6: Delete "[Brief description of the invention]" and insert

-- Upon further study of the specification and appended claims, further objects and advantages of this invention will become apparent to those skilled in the art. --

Page 3, Line 21: Delete "[Detailed description of the invention]".

Page 27, line 33, insert

-- In the foregoing and in the following examples, all temperatures are set forth uncorrected in degrees Celsius; and, unless otherwise indicated, all parts and percentages are by weight.

The entire disclosure of all applications, patents and publications, cited above and below, and of corresponding European application No. 00400327.3, filed February 7, 2000 is hereby incorporated by reference. --

Page 27, Line 34: Delete "[Examples]" and insert --Examples--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 3, Line 1: Delete "either of Claims 1 and" and insert --Claim 1--.

Line 2: Delete "2".

Claim 5, Line 1: Delete "or 4".

Claim 6, Line 1: Delete "either of Claims 1 and" and insert --Claim 1--.

Line 2: Delete "2".

Claim 7, Line 1: Delete "or 2".

Claim 9, Line 1: Delete "or 2".